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1. The telephone network in Bulgaria is described as well-developed with both civilian and military lines extending throughout the nation. Until the spring of 1950 all civilian telephone centers were taken over by military telephone operators between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. As of February 1951, however, the only telephone center which has military operators at night is Svilengrad; all other switchboards now have civilian operators at all times.
2. The Svilengrad telephone center is located in the basement of the Prefecture Building next to the Maritsa Bridge. Within the room itself there are two switchboards, one with 120 lines and the other with 20. The larger switchboard is for local civilian calls; the second is for long distance calls.
3. On the local switchboard the following lines and stations: 50X1

Line No.Stations

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| 5 | Border Guard Headquarters for Svilengrad |
| 9 | Prefect Council, which has its own switchboard with 12 lines. |
| 12 | Police Station, which has its own switchboard. |
| 36 | Communist Party of Svilengrad |
| 46 | Secret Police |

4. Following are the lines on the long distance switchboard which connect Svilengrad to the cities and stations indicated:

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|---|----------------|
| 1 | Stara Zagora |
| 2 | Harmanlii |
| 3 | Haskovo |
| 4 | Iyubimets |
| 5 | Lefka |
| 6 | Raikova Mogila |

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7	Dimitrovche
8	Chernodab
9	Kapitan Andreevo
10	Edirne (Turkey)
11	Svilengrad Station (Nova Mahala)
12	Lyubimets
13	Svilengrad Station (Nova Mahala)
14	Generalovo
19	Advance Air Corps Post (sic), Svilengrad

Lines No. 16, 17, 18 and 20 are free lines not connected with any station.

5. At the Border Guard Headquarters for Svilengrad there is a military switchboard with connections as follows:

<u>Line No.</u>	<u>Station</u>
1	Administrative Command Office
2	Commissioner's Office
3	Elkhovo Sector
4	Information Office
5	Zastava at Kapitan Andreevo; through this village there is communication with the Zastavas of Generalovo and Maslina.
6	Operations Office
7	Intelligence Office
8	Wireless Office
9	Intelligence Office
10	Airpost
11	Telephone Center of Svilengrad
12	Zastava at Mezek; through this Zastava there is a connection with the Zastava at Orel.
13	Officer's Service Office
14	Home of Commander
15	Lyubimets; through Lyubimets the following lines are connected: Harmanlii - Elkhovo; Harmanlii - Ivaylovgrad; and Plovdiv - Haskovo.
16	Zastava at Makhala Gembrant (sic).

Lines No. 17, 18, 19 and 20 are free lines. Because the military lines have poor connections, civilian telephone lines are used for long distance calls.

7. At Harmanlii there is a civilian telephone switchboard with 300 lines. In the telephone center building at Svilengrad there is a telegraph office which has connections only with Harmanlii.

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8. The military switchboard of Elkhovo Sector operates with 20 lines.
[] the following numbers:

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<u>Line No.</u>	<u>Station</u>
16	Commanding Officer
17	Political Commissar
18	Chief-of-Staff
19	Operations Office
20	Foreign Intelligence Office
22	Communications Officer
25	Domestic Intelligence Office
26	Supply Office

9. Most of the above equipment comes from the Elprom factory in Sofia.

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